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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

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For: **CROSSLINKED POLYMERS AND REFRACTIVE DEVICES FORMED THEREFROM**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-31

Please add the following new claims:

32. A crosslinked polymer obtainable by radical polymerisation of ethylenically unsaturated monomers including

a) a zwitterionic monomer of the general formula I

YBX

I

wherein

B is a straight or branched alkylene, oxaalkylene or oligo-oxaalkylene chain optionally containing one or more fluorine atoms or, if X or Y contains a terminal carbon atom bonded to B, a valence bond;

X is a zwitterionic group; and

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